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May & June
2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jun 18-23 NLUS National convention,
Long Beach, CA
- Jul 04 Independence Day
- Jul 11 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**
Officer/Director's Meeting, 1130,
La Luna (106 South Austin,
Rockport), Rockport.
- Aug 01 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**
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La Luna (106 South Austin,
Rockport), Rockport.
- Aug 04 USCG Birthday (1790)
- Sep 02 Labor Day
- V-J Day (1945)

IMPORTANT :

- Please note the Navy League Theodore Roosevelt awardees for our Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) units.

ALL Officer/Director Meetings are OPEN to Council members! We appreciate your inputs on how to make our Council more efficient and fun. Our only request is to please tell Bull Walker [361-463-1201 or dustybulltx@gmail.com] in advance that you will be attending. We want to ensure we have ample space.

Welcome Aboard - no new members this period.

Renewed: Phyllis & John LIBERTI, Patrick RIOS (3 yr renewal), Esther P. WILLIAMS.

Thank you for your continued support!!

President's Corner
"Bull's Eye"



2013
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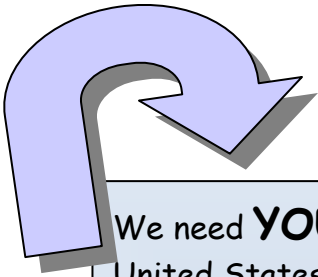
May was a busy month honoring Junior Reserve Training Corps (JROTC) students in our sponsored High Schools with the **Navy League Theodore Roosevelt Youth Award**. We spent some time on the road visiting each school representing the **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL** of the Navy League. First was the **San Benito Veterans Memorial Academy Navy JROTC Awards** evening. **Felix Keeley** presented **Cadet/Petty Officer First Class Jose Moya** with the Youth Award. Next **Felix, Pete Perkins**, and I participated in the **Rockport/Fulton High School Navy JROTC Awards** ceremony on the 12th. **Cadet/Lieutenant Commander Leanna G. Grimes** was the recipient. **Felix** was again on the road this time to McAllen, the **McAllen Memorial High School Marine Corps JROTC Military Ball**. The recipient was **Cadet/Lieutenant Eliza Calderon**. On the 24th **Felix** and I traveled to the Valley with two missions: The first was to visit the **Coast Guard Station South Padre Island**. We were greeted by **Lieutenant Josh Sagers**, the Commanding Officer. A wonderful lunch was consumed and much information shared. Off to Harlingen for the evening then Saturday morning we participated in the **Marine Military Academy** awards ceremony, honoring **Cadet/Gunnery Sergeant Chase Williams**. This finished our most successful month honoring fine young High School students. (NOTE: All these costs were assumed by us and no Council funds were expended.) We also provided a Youth Medal to the **Lyndon B. Johnson High School** in Laredo. The recipient was **Cadet/Petty Officer Third Class Daniela Vergara**. We hope to be able to make the presentation in person next year.

Since all schools are off for the summer we'll have a bit of down time.

Our updated website is up and running (www.navyleagueingleside.org), I hope you enjoy the new format! This site also contains many of our past newsletters. If you have any comments, forward them to me, thank you.

Our Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps have been busy. Please take a moment to read their articles; Thank you **Captain Jeff Carlson** (Rockport-Fulton High School) and **Lieutenant Rolando Gonzalez** (San Benito Veterans Memorial Academy).

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We need **YOU** as a citizen in support of the Sea Services (United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, United States Coast Guard, and U.S. Flag Merchant Marine).

Who is the **Navy League**?

- It is a community service organization with over **45,000** members worldwide, and **250** councils (chapters) conducting activities in local communities.
- Theodore Roosevelt promoted the founding of the Navy League in 1902, which was supported by the civilian and business communities - the condition that continues today.
- **AND everyone is eligible to be a member, we are all civilians.**

Mission and Goals:

- To educate national leaders and the nation in the necessity of a strong Maritime Service.
- Support the men and women of the *Sea Services*.
- Provide assistance to *Sea Service* families.
- Support youth programs.

Did you know?

- The US Navy has approximately the same number of ships today as **BEFORE** World War I. A serious decline that began in the 1990s and continues today due to insufficient funding.
- **95%** of world-wide trade is now transported by sea.
- The deterrent value of a strong Navy and Coast Guard and the need to protect the commercial sea lanes and maritime borders are necessary for our nation's continued vitality and strength.

America's security and economic interests extend to every region of the globe.

If you would be interested in supporting the United States Sea Services please give us a call or drop us a note. A membership application is on the next page.

Please pass this newsletter to a friend and ask them to join us.

Thank you!

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

(Years as Member/Anniversary Date of Renewal)

These are the dates your membership will expire. We continue to support the Coastal Bend Military Service personnel (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and U.S Flag Merchant Marine) and our South Texas JROTCs. We need your continued support!

Harold W. **ASHLEY** (21 years, 09/30/13), Richard **CARRELL** (1 year, 09/30/13), Darlene C. **CONOLY** (33 years, 09/30/13), Maryann & Ozel **COX** (7 years, 05/31/13), Tom J. **CURLEE Jr** (5 years, 08/31/13), Thomas **DeCUTLER** (7 years, 09/30/13), Melissa C. **FISHER** (4 years, 07/31/13), Don B. **HANKS** (14 years, 07/31/13), Elizabeth A. **HIGGINS** (12 years, 08/31/13), Laura May **MILLER** (9 years, 08/31/13), and Migdalia & Dennis **ROBERTS** (31 years, 08/31/13),

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LIFE MEMBERS

(Year became LIFE members)

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Total of 62!



- San Benito High School NJROTC held their 13th Annual Awards Night on Thursday, 2nd of May in the Veteran's Memorial Academy Cafeteria. Over 20 National and State service organization awards were awarded including the presentation of Shadow Boxes to nine graduating NJROTC Seniors and the awarding of the Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal by **Master Chief Felix Keeley** to **C/PO1 Jose Moya**.



- For the second year in a row official Navy notification came in that San Benito High School NJROTC had been selected as a "**Distinguish Unit**" which was made publicly by **Commander Mike Hale**, the Area 10 NJROTC Manager, out of San Antonio, Texas. "What secured our selection was hard work and dedication," said **Senior Chief Christopher Simmons** one of San Benito's Naval Science Instructors. "Our unit completed **2,262 hours** of People Oriented Community Service, **691 hours** of Environmental Oriented Community Service, 553 hours of Standard Community Service and **1,774 hours** of School Support for a **grand total of 5,280 hours** of Community and School Involvement hours," he said. "What makes this year special is that not only were we selected for the second year in a row, but we were selected as a Distinguished Unit with **Academic Honors.**"

- Summer is here and 10 Cadets are currently attending the South Texas Leadership Academy in Kingsville, Texas and are hoping to earn their Leadership Cord. Later next week 10 different Cadets will be attending South Texas Basic Leadership Training in Kingsville hoping to earn their Mini-Boot Camp ribbon.



The **Rockport-Fulton High School Navy Junior ROTC** has finished up its Spring Semester on a great note as we held our End of Year Awards Dinner with **Cadet LCDR Leanna Grimes** being named next year's Unit Commanding Officer as well as the recipient of the **Navy League Youth Medal**.




Leanna is an absolutely outstanding individual and has also been nominated for the **Caller-Times/Citgo Distinguished Scholar Award** for next year in the **Outstanding Achievement category**. A picture of the Navy League Youth Medal and framed certificate were an important part of her nomination package. **Senior Chief Del Rio** has been preparing our cadets for Summer Camps and their progress is exceptional. Once again, Rockport-Fulton will send excellent cadets to camps and make our unit, school and community proud. Additionally, we successfully completed our largest fundraiser of the year when our cadets worked the **Rockport Food and Wine Festival at the Texas Maritime Museum** over the Memorial Day Weekend. This is our fourth year at the Winefest and our wonderful relationship with the TMM has continued to grow. Graduation has come and gone and so have our Seniors! Many who plan to join the military are actively preparing last minute items with their recruiters and their families before heading off to Boot Camp. We are extremely proud of each of these fine young men and women who have chosen to serve their country in the Armed Forces. Many former cadets, obviously displaying some of the good training they received while in our program, have stopped by the NJROTC office in the past couple of months to say they, too, have now volunteered to serve and bid farewell to Rockport...at least for awhile. Once Summer Camps are over, Senior Chief and I will continue to plan for next year as we work through the summer but the cadets are given a well-deserved break from school, unit activities and, most importantly, me and Senior Chief! And as much as we enjoy the cadets' company, we also enjoy a break from them as well. So for the time being we will be in and out of the office and hopefully will get to see our Navy League colleagues out in town. Until the first school bell rings in August, have a wonderful and safe Summer!

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THANKS YOU!!

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